IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: ELECTRONIC MAIL SERVER, METHOD FOR RELAYING ELECTRONIC MAIL AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claim 4 and ADD new claim 7 in accordance with the following:

1.   (ORIGINAL) An electronic mail server for relaying electronic mail, comprising:

an unsolicited URL storage portion for storing a part or a whole of a URL of a Web site that delivers undesired information for a receiver of electronic mail;

a reception portion for receiving electronic mail sent from a terminal device of a sender;

a decision portion for deciding whether or not the received electronic mail contains a part or a whole of the URL stored in the unsolicited URL storage portion; and